

Committee Meetings

DISRUPTER SERIES: SELF-DRIVING CARS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Disrupter Series: Self-Driving Cars”. Testimony was heard from Mark Rosekind, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Kirk Steudle, Director, Michigan Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE SEC’S AGENDA, OPERATIONS, AND FY 2018 BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the SEC’s Agenda, Operations, and FY 2018 Budget Request”. Testimony was heard from Mary Jo White, Chair, Securities and Exchange Commission.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on H.R. 5718, the “Central Wasatch National Conservation and Recreation Area Act”. Testimony was heard from Representative Chaffetz; Glenn Casamassa, Deputy Chief for the National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service; Tom Dolan, Mayor, Sandy City, Utah; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 866, the “Federal Land Freedom Act of 2015”; and H.R. 1484, the “Honor the Nevada Enabling Act of 1864 Act”. Testimony was heard from Demar Dahl, Elko County Commissioner, Deeth, Nevada; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 1219, the “Arbuckle Project Maintenance Complex and District Office Conveyance Act of 2015”; H.R. 3711, the “Chicano Park Preservation Act”; H.R. 4366, the “San Luis Unit Drainage Resolution Act”; and H.R. 5633, the “Blackfeet Water Rights Settlement Act”.

OVERSIGHT OF THE SECRET SERVICE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Secret Service”. Testimony was heard from John Roth, Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security; Tom Dougherty, Chief Strategy Officer, Secret Service; Brigadier General Kevin Nally (retired), Chief Information Officer, Secret Service; and a public witness.

ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities”. This hearing was closed.

Joint Meetings

ARCTIC NUCLEAR POLLUTION

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on nuclear pollution in the Arctic from Julia Gourley, Senior Arctic Official, Department of State; Nils Bohmer, Bellona Foundation, Oslo, Norway; and Jon Rahbek-Clemmensen, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D979)

S. 2040, to deter terrorism, provide justice for victims. Signed on September 28, 2016. (Public Law 114–222)

H.R. 5325, making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2017. Signed on September 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–223)

H.R. 2615, to establish the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission. Signed on September 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–224)

H.R. 5252, to designate the United States Customs and Border Protection Port of Entry located at 1400 Lower Island Road in Tornillo, Texas, as the “Marcelino Serna Port of Entry”. Signed on September 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–225)

H.R. 5936, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department. Signed on September 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–226)

H.R. 5937, to amend title 36, United States Code, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France. Signed on September 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–227)

H.R. 5985, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Signed on September 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–228)

S. 1878, to extend the pediatric priority review voucher program. Signed on September 30, 2016. (Public Law 114–229)

H.R. 1475, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–230)

H.R. 2494, to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, designate major wildlife trafficking countries. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–231)

H.R. 2733, to require the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–232)

H.R. 3004, to amend the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–233)

H.R. 3937, to designate the building utilized as a United States courthouse located at 150 Reade Circle in Greenville, North Carolina, as the “Randy D. Doub United States Courthouse”. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–234)

H.R. 5147, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require restrooms in public buildings to be equipped with baby changing facilities. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–235)

H.R. 5578, to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–236)

H.R. 5883, to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to clarify the duties relating to services furnished in connection with the buying or selling of livestock in commerce through online, video, or other electronic methods. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–237)

H.R. 5944, to amend title 49, United States Code, with respect to certain grant assurances. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–238)

H.R. 5946, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income any prizes or awards won in competition in the Olympic Games or the Paralympic Games. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–239)

S. 1004, to amend title 36, United States Code, to encourage the nationwide observance of two minutes of silence each Veterans Day. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–240)

S. 1698, to exclude payments from State eugenics compensation programs from consideration in determining eligibility for, or the amount of, Federal public benefits. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–241)

S. 2683, to include disabled veteran leave in the personnel management system of the Federal Aviation

Administration. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–242)

S. 3283, to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Pueblo, Colorado, as the “PFC James Dunn VA Clinic”. Signed on October 7, 2016. (Public Law 114–243)

S. 246, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children. Signed on October 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–244)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the future of nuclear power, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the automated and self-driving vehicle revolution, focusing on the role of government, 2:30 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine exploring augmented reality, 3 p.m., SR–253.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Past, Present, and Future of SNAP: Opportunities for Improving Access to Food”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology; and Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, joint hearing entitled “Understanding the Role of Connected Devices in Recent Cyber Attacks”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled “Modernizing Appraisals: A Regulatory Review and the Future of the Industry”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, Full Committee, markup on a supplemental funding resolution of original jurisdiction, 4:45 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5422, to ensure funding for the National Human Trafficking Hotline, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1669, the “Judgment Fund Transparency Act of 2015”, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1219, the “Arbuckle Project Maintenance Complex and District Office Conveyance Act of 2015”; H.R. 3711, the “Chicano Park Preservation Act”; H.R. 4366, the “San Luis Unit Drainage Resolution Act”; and H.R. 5633, the “Blackfeet Water Rights Settlement Act” (continued), 10:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, markup on the “Overtime Pay for Secret Service